

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Itzhak Bentwich, *et al.*

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Examiner: ANGELL, JON E

Title: BIOINFORMATICALLY DETECTABLE
GROUP OF NOVEL REGULATORY
OLIGONUCLEOTIDES AND USES
THEREOF

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

Dear Sir:

In response to the final office action mailed on January 30, 2008 (the "Final Office Action"), please consider the remarks below in accordance with the Rules of Practice. Submitted herewith are a Petition for a three-month extension of time and a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, and the requisite fees of \$1050 and \$810, respectively, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, which extend the deadline for filing a response to July 30, 2008 and provide an opportunity to withdraw the finality of any office action and to enter and consider this submission.

No other fees are believed to be due in connection with the filing of this paper, however, should any fees be deemed necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct any such fees from Deposit Account No. 50-1662 referencing the above docket number.

Amendments to the Claims begin at page 2 of this reply; **Remarks** begin at page 4.